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1666 Private
HIRD William Birkett

39th Battalion
12/10/17.
Killed in Action
(Mother) Mrs. M. Hird.

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Particulars Required for the Roll of Honour of Australia in the Memorial War Museum.

1. Name (in full) of Fallen Soldier Hird William Birkett.
2. Unit and Number (if known) 39th Battalion No. 1666
3. With what Town or District in Australia was he chiefly connected (under which his name ought to come on the Memorial)—
   Town (if any) Gembrook. District Flinders State Victoria
4. What was his Birthplace Darby, Kirkby Lonsdale, Westmoreland, England.
5. Date of Death 12.10.17.
6. Place where Killed or Wounded Ranchendaele

Particulars Required for the Nation's Histories.

1. What was his Calling Farmer
2. Age at time of Death 22 Years
3. What was his School Stramgate School, Kendal, Westmoreland England.
4. What was his other Training
5. If born in Britain or Abroad, at what age did he come to Australia 16 years old
6. Had he ever served in any Military or Naval Force before Enlisting in the A.I.F. (Please state particulars) No.
7. Any other biographical details likely to be of interest to the Historian of the A.I.F., or of his Regiment—
8. Was he connected with any other Member of the A.I.F. who died or who distinguished himself. (Please state Relationship)—
9. Name and Address of the Parent or other person giving this information—
   Name Mary Hird
   Relationship to Soldier Mother
   Address Gembrook, Victoria.
10. Names and Addresses of any other persons to whom reference could be made by the Historian for further information—
    Name Rev. C. Birkett
    Address The Rectory, Starbeck, Nr. Harrogate Yorks. England.

NOTE.—This Folder is Addressed to the Secretary, Department of Defence, Melbourne. Please fold in four, and stick down gummed flap so that the addressed portion is outside. The information is required urgently.

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